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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 797 By Bone

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Jim Bowie Adcock of Readyville on his estimable accomplishments in the sport of rodeo.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly is pleased to specially honor and commend those gifted athletes who, through their magnificent exploits, bring honor to the State of Tennessee and serve as exceptional ambassadors of this state; and

WHEREAS, Jim Bowie Adcock is one such estimable Tennessean who has won much acclaim for his unsurpassed rodeo prowess; and

WHEREAS, through diligence, dedication, and hard work, he has maximized his considerable talent and reached the pinnacle of high school rodeo; and

WHEREAS, the son of Jim and Koy Adcock, Jim Bowie Adcock is a member of a family with a rich rodeo tradition; his grandfather produced rodeos at Cowboys Incorporated in Warren County near Rock Island; and

WHEREAS, it was at one of those rodeos that his father, a bareback bronco and bull rider, met his future wife, the daughter of the rodeo producer; and

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WHEREAS, numerous uncles and cousins of Jim Bowie Adcock have competed in rodeo and helped establish the Adcocks' reputation as one of Tennessee's preeminent rodeo families; and

WHEREAS, Jim Bowie Adcock was a cowboy from the beginning; when he was only fifteen months old, he took part in his first horse show, riding in a lead-line class; and

WHEREAS, by kindergarten, he had begun chute-dogging, and, in the fourth grade, he single-handedly led Cannon County to fourth place in the district 4-H horse show competitions; and

WHEREAS, now a Senior at Cannon County High School, his name has become synonymous with excellence in the rodeo community of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, he stormed onto the Tennessee rodeo scene as a Freshman and was named 1999 Rookie Cowboy of the Year by the Tennessee High School Rodeo Association; and

WHEREAS, in 2000, he ranked fifth in state steer-wrestling competitions and in the top ten in calf-roping and team-roping; and

WHEREAS, in 2001, he won Tennessee High School Rodeo Association State

Championships in calf-roping, steer-wrestling, and cutting, and the National Cowboy Association ranked him fifth in steer-wrestling; and

WHEREAS, through the years, his composite scores have earned him several All-Around Cowboy titles; and

WHEREAS, he has qualified twice for the International Finals Rodeo and three times for the National High School Finals Rodeo and is on track to qualify again this year; and

WHEREAS, he has also won numerous team-roping championships in conjunction with Ashlee Miller of Hamblen County, the 2000 Rookie of the Year, All-Around Cowgirl, and Break-Away Champion; and

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WHEREAS, Jim Bowie Adcock's great success has been aided by his parents, who have provided him with invaluable support, coaching, and encouragement; and

WHEREAS, his successes would not have been possible without his trusted steeds, which have repeatedly carried him to victory; his current equine partners include Junior, Rocky, B.J., Rusty, WHO, Bubba Fitts, and Rex Straw, American Quarter Horse Association 2001 Horse of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Adcock's accomplishments have ensured that he will forever be remembered as one of the greatest cowboys ever to grace the arenas of this state; and

WHEREAS, he epitomizes all that is good in today's youth, as he has achieved the highest level of success in rodeo, while at all times evidencing the utmost in character; and

WHEREAS, the dedication, determination, work ethic, and talent of this young athlete have precipitated his great accomplishments this far and surely bode well for his success in every future endeavor; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Mr. Adcock for his great athletic prowess and for serving as a fine example of the high quality of Tennessee's youth; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor and commend Jim Bowie Adcock and join with his family, friends, and the rodeo community of this state in celebrating his supreme accomplishments.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we wish him much continued success and happiness in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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